

**CALENDAR ITEM
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GENERAL LEASE - GRAZING USE

APPLICANTS:

Jay A. Moon and Karen W. Moon

AREA, LAND TYPE, AND LOCATION:

640 acres, more or less, of State school land in Section 36, Township 14 North, Range 17 East, SBM, northwest of the city of Needles, San Bernardino County.

AUTHORIZED USE:

Cattle grazing.

LEASE TERM:

Ten years, beginning September 1, 2003.

CONSIDERATION:

\$500 per year; with the State reserving the right to fix a different rent periodically during the lease term, as provided in the lease.

SPECIFIC LEASE PROVISIONS:

Insurance:

Combined single limit coverage of no less than \$1,000,000.

OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION:

1. In 1988, the Commission approved a grazing lease, which expired September 30, 1997, for the parcel of State school land. The prior lessees did not apply for a new grazing lease because they terminated their cattle operation following the sale of their adjacent private property. The Applicants have now submitted an application to the Commission in order to graze cattle on the parcel of State school land.
2. The property surrounding the parcel of State school land is owned by the United States. In order to obtain a federal grazing allotment, an individual

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must either own or lease "non-federal" lands. These "non-federal" lands are referred to as base property. The Applicants will be submitting an application to the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, and intend to use the State's school land parcel as base property in order to obtain a federal grazing allotment. In the event the Applicants are unsuccessful in obtaining a federal grazing allotment, then the Commission's grazing lease will terminate.

3. Pursuant to the Commission's delegation of authority and the State CEQA Guidelines (Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15061), the staff has determined that this activity is exempt from the requirements of the CEQA as a categorically exempt project. The project is exempt under Class 4, Minor Alteration to Land Title 2, California Code of Regulations, section 2905 (d)(1).

Authority: Public Resources Code section 21084 and Title 14, California Code of Regulations, section 15300 and Title 2, California Code of Regulations, section 2905.

EXHIBIT:

- A. Location Map

PERMIT STREAMLINING ACT DEADLINE:

November 14, 2003

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

CEQA FINDING:

FIND THAT THE ACTIVITY IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CEQA PURSUANT TO TITLE 14, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 15061 AS A CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT PROJECT, CLASS 4, MINOR ALTERATIONS TO LAND; TITLE 2, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATION, SECTION 2905 (d)(1).

AUTHORIZATION:

AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE TO JAY A. MOON AND KAREN W. MOON OF A GENERAL LEASE - GRAZING USE, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1, 2003, FOR A TERM OF TEN YEARS, FOR CATTLE GRAZING ON THE LAND SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A ATTACHED AND BY

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THIS REFERENCE MADE A PART HEREOF; ANNUAL RENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500, WITH THE STATE RESERVING THE RIGHT TO FIX A DIFFERENT RENT PERIODICALLY DURING THE LEASE TERM AS PROVIDED IN THE LEASE; COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE OF NO LESS THAN \$1,000,000.